

I oppose loosening the rules designed to promote and protect diversity of media ownership. These rules were adopted to ensure that the public would receive a diverse range of viewpoints from the media, and not simply the opinions of a handful of media conglomerates.

Mr. Powell, take a moment to reflect on the historical evidence regarding public abuse at the hands of power and concentrated media. As you are well aware, money already plays too important a role in American politics. Affording greater media control in fewer (and wealthier) hands only facilitates the erosion of democracy. Please guide yourself with honor and knowledge rather than being swayed by those in positions to gain even more money and power.